



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

December 16, 2020

ALLEGANY COUNTY COVID-19 CASES REACH 4,848, DEATH TOLL AT 127

CUMBERLAND, MD – The Allegheny County Health Department reports that Allegheny County’s cumulative COVID-19 case count is now at 4,848, with 127 deaths. The current case rate in Allegheny County is 108.13 cases per 100,000 population, while Maryland’s state average is currently 45.84 cases per 100,000 population. Allegheny’s positivity rate is now at 13.4%, while the statewide average is 7.49%.

In order to slow the spread of COVID this holiday season, it is important that everyone remain vigilant and continue to follow public health guidance to safeguard our health and the health of those around us. Avoid social gatherings and opt for celebrating the holidays at home with your immediate family, or via phone call or video chat. Opt for online gift shopping rather than going out to crowded retail centers. Consider mailing gifts to loved ones who are not part of your household instead of visiting in person. Stay home as much as possible, and correctly wear a face covering when out in public. Maintain social distancing of at least six feet from other people. Frequently wash your hands and clean high-touch surfaces.

###

Media Contacts:



Brenda K. Caldwell
Public Information Officer
Allegheny County Health Department
(301) 759-5239
brenda.caldwell@maryland.gov



Todd Bowman
Public Information Officer
Allegheny County Department of Emergency Services
(240) 609-8861
tbowman@alleganygov.org